

Attendees:

Members: Lori Duguid, Tricia Kovacs, Betsy Pandora, Aaron Schill

Staff: Randy Bowman, Bill Lewis, Nick Popa, Chris George, Daniel Moorhead

Guests: David Jeffords, Matthew Dickinson, Rod Rudinger, Bill Ferriot, Jody Dzurainin, Brian Hagerty, Cole Miller

Members Not in Attendance: Brian Moore

The following notes summarize the items which were discussed at the Bicycle Sub-Committee (BSC) meeting held on September 26, 2012:

Previous Meeting Notes

- No changes necessary.

Ohio Avenue and Champion Avenue Bike Lanes

- Reviewed options for lane configuration that had been presented to the committee in May
- Showed preferred alternative – 7' parking lane / 11' travel lane / 5' bike lane / 7' parking lane (except for sharrows on Champion Avenue between Livingston Avenue and Mooberry Street)
- Comment sharing an incident between a bicyclist and a motorist near Cole St

Fourth Street Bike Lane

- A bike lane was installed on Fourth Street between Nationwide Boulevard and I-670 WB On-Ramp this summer.
- Notification has been given to City crews to adjust the configuration of the crossing at the I-670 WB On-Ramp to the AASHTO recommended treatment.
- Expect to see the change occur within the next week or so
- Questions/Comments
 - Stop bike lane at Goodale St and restart on right side of roadway
 - Why not keep the lane to the left of the left-turn-only lane? Answer: Ohio Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices prohibits placing bike lane left of a left-turn-only lane due to increased risk of hook crashes.

Sullivant Avenue Corridor Overview

- Project limits from Camp Chase Railroad on the west to Dodge Park on the east.
- Majority of project will be sharrows with some shared-use path at each end
- City staff met with Hilltop and Franklinton Area Commissions as well as held an open house in the community to discuss whether or not to road diet the section of Sullivant between Hague Ave and Yale Ave
- Next step is to return to the Area Commissions to obtain a vote
- Final decision to follow

Downtown Action Plan

- Discussed formation of working group to determine placement of sharrows on High Street in the Downtown when resurfacing takes place in 2013

Action Items:

1. *Subcommittee to continue to be prepared to be consulted regarding Downtown Action Plan.*

Tamarack Circle Bike Lanes

- Staff updated committee on enhancements to be made at the five intersections
 - Flexible posts to be installed at entry points from side streets
 - More bike lane symbols to be added to reinforce the presence of the bike lane
 - Additional chevron markings to be installed in buffer area between bike lane and parking lane
- Consultant made the following points in response to concerns regarding the interaction of bikes and motor vehicles:
 - Tamarack Circle has significant differences from roundabouts/ traffic circles in that:
 - The size of the circle is much greater
 - There are public activities in the circle center unlike at roundabouts or traffic circles
 - There are much greater distances between the intersecting side streets
 - The location of the bike lane on Tamarack Circle is similar to those on other roadways in Columbus and across the country – to the right of vehicular traffic and to the left of parked cars

- The reduction of vehicle lanes from two to one will improve safety for drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians by
 - reducing vehicle speeds
 - reducing the number of driver decisions
 - providing dedicated space for each mode
 - reducing the distance crossing pedestrians are exposed to car traffic

Columbus Bikeways Mobile App

- Discussed the fact that an app is being developed
- Briefly described the scope of what the app will do

Action Item

1. Staff to show image of bikeways mobile app at next meeting.

Downtown Bike Projects

- Sharrows will be installed on many streets downtown by the first half of 2013:

When?	Street	From	To	Length	Unit
By end of 2012	Park St	Goodale St	Buttles Ave	0.25	miles
By end of 2012	Town St	Third St	Parsons Ave	0.8	miles
First Half 2013	Front St	Greenlawn Ave	Mound St	1.1	miles
First Half 2013	High St	Greenlawn Ave	Mound St	1.1	miles
First Half 2013	Main St	2nd St	Scioto Trail	0.1	miles
First Half 2013	Liberty St	Short St	Front St	0.2	miles
First Half 2013	Short St	Liberty St	Mound St	0.25	miles
First Half 2013	Mound St	Short St	2nd St	0.1	miles
First Half 2013	2nd St	Mound St	Main St	0.1	miles
First Half 2013	Civic Center Drive	Main St	Broad St	0.5	miles
First Half 2013	Greenlawn Ave	Berliner Park	High St	0.5	miles
First Half 2013	Whittier St	West Terminus	High St	0.6	miles

Milton Ave Bike Box Rehabilitation

- Displayed plan for modifications to bike box
- Depth of box will increase to 12'
- Treatment is technically still experimental

Fourth Street and Summit Street Bike Lanes

- Project limits: I-670 to Hudson St
- Both streets will continue to operate one way
- Grant to be received from ODOT for \$1,000,000
- Implementation in 2015 with ODOT Urban Paving project

Bicycle Information Kiosks

- Bike information kiosks and maintenance stations are being added to each bike shelter
- Photo of recently installed Washington Blvd (across from COSI) location
- Each location will have a neighborhood identifier

"Parking Lot" Issues

- No new issues were discussed.

Other Business:

- Question came up about Hamilton Rd project to connect segments north and south of SR 161.
- Matthew Dickinson from Third Hand Bike Co-op announced the co-op's relocation to near Fifth Ave and St Clair Ave
 - Asked about road diet on Fifth Ave, east of Cleveland Ave.
- Comment regarding making bridges more accessible to bikes and pedestrians.
- Comment regarding drainage grates on Twin Rivers Dr
 - Staff referred to upcoming project to reconstruct Twin Rivers Dr and add sharrows.
- Question about Rich St/Town St two-way conversion

Action Item

1. *Staff to report what bike facility is being planned with Hamilton Road relocation project.*

Action Items Summary:

1. *Subcommittee to continue to be prepared to be consulted regarding Downtown Action Plan.*
2. *Staff to show image of bikeways mobile app at next meeting.*
3. *Staff to report what bike facility is being planned with Hamilton Road relocation project.*
4. *Staff to provide information on Rich St/Town St two-way conversion project*